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Examination of this application is requested.

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APPENDIX 1

"VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE"  
IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) An air filter comprising:
  - a filter housing with air flowing through said filter housing in a first direction;
  - a pleated filter support operatively connected to said filter housing said pleated filter support having support members, each support member spaced from an adjacent support member to at least partially form [define] a pleated shape; and
  - a filter at least partially supported by said support members wherein said pleated filter support comprises a plurality of posts in an at least a partially annular form.
  
10. (Amended) An air induction system comprising:
  - a flow body;
  - a filter housing in communication with said flow body with air flowing through said filter housing in a first direction;
  - a pleated filter support operatively connected to said filter housing, said filter support [having support members define] comprising a plurality of posts defining a pleated shape in an at least a partially annular form; and
  - a filter at least partially supported by said support members.

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17. (Amended) A method of manufacturing an air filter comprising the steps of:  
arranging a plurality of [support members] posts into pleats; [and]  
forming the pleats into at least a partially annular form; and  
adhering a filter to the pleats.